

THE SANITARY COMMISSION MAY SET BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS ON ALL PROPERTY, IMPROVED OR UNIMPROVED, THAT ABUTS A WAY IN WHICH A WATER MAIN OR SEWER HAS BEEN BUILT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first sentence of former Article 43, § 657(a).

In subsection (b) of this section, "water system or sewerage system" is substituted for the former reference to "water or sewerage system" because "water system" and "sewerage system" are defined terms.

9-657. CLASSIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY.

(A) CLASSIFICATION REQUIRED.

THE SANITARY COMMISSION SHALL CLASSIFY EACH PARCEL OF PROPERTY ON WHICH IT MAY MAKE A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT AS:

- (1) AGRICULTURAL;
- (2) BUSINESS OR INDUSTRIAL;
- (3) SMALL ACREAGE;
- (4) SUBDIVISION; OR
- (5) A SUBCLASS OF ANY OF THOSE CLASSES.

(B) CHANGE OF CLASSIFICATION.

THE SANITARY COMMISSION MAY CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION OF A PARCEL OF PROPERTY WHEN THE USE OF THAT PARCEL JUSTIFIES ITS CLASSIFICATION IN ANOTHER CLASS OR SUBCLASS.

(C) BASIS OF ASSESSMENT.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE SANITARY COMMISSION SHALL ASSESS PROPERTY:

- (1) ON A FRONT-FOOT BASIS; OR
- (2) UNDER UNIFORM RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED FOR THE DISTRICT AND APPROVED BY THE MEMBER COUNTIES.

(D) FRONT-FOOT ASSESSMENTS -- IN GENERAL.

(1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE SANITARY COMMISSION SHALL MAKE FRONT-FOOT ASSESSMENTS THAT, EACH YEAR, ARE AS UNIFORM AS IS REASONABLE AND PRACTICAL FOR EACH CLASS OR SUBCLASS OF PROPERTY IN EACH SERVICE AREA.